

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

DEANDRE MINGO,
Plaintiff,
vs.

CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS,
Defendant.

Case No. 2:22-cv-01016-JAD-VCF

ORDER

APPLICATION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS
(EFC No. 1)

Pro se plaintiff DeAndre Mingo filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 1) and complaint (ECF No. 1-1). I deny Mingo's in forma pauperis application without prejudice.

DISCUSSION

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1), a plaintiff may bring a civil action "without prepayment of fees or security thereof" if the plaintiff submits a financial affidavit that demonstrates the plaintiff "is unable to pay such fees or give security therefor." If the plaintiff is a "prisoner" as defined by 28 U.S.C. § 1915(h), as amended by the Prison Litigation Reform Act ("PLRA"), he remains obligated to pay the entire fee in installments, regardless of whether his action is ultimately dismissed. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1) & (2); *Taylor v. Delatoore*, 281 F.3d 844, 847 (9th Cir. 2002).

Under the PLRA, a prisoner seeking leave to proceed IFP must submit a "certified copy of the trust fund account statement (or institutional equivalent) for the prisoner for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of the complaint." 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2); *Andrews v. King*, 398 F.3d 1113, 1119 (9th Cir. 2005). From the certified trust account statement, the Court must assess an initial

1 payment of 20% of (a) the average monthly deposits in the account for the past six months, or (b) the
2 average monthly balance in the account for the past six months, whichever is greater, unless the prisoner
3 has no assets. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1); 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(4). The institution having custody of the
4 prisoner must collect subsequent payments, assessed at 20% of the preceding month's income, in any
5 month in which the prisoner's account exceeds \$10, and forward those payments to the Court until the
6 entire filing fee is paid. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(2).

7 Plaintiff is currently incarcerated. ECF No. 1 at 4. Plaintiff filed an affidavit, **but he did not**
8 **sign the declaration under penalty of perjury.** *Id.* at 3. Plaintiffs' application to proceed *in forma*
9 *pauperis* is denied without prejudice. Since I deny plaintiff's IFP application, I do not screen his
10 complaint now.

11 ACCORDINGLY,

12 I ORDER that plaintiff Mingo's application to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 1) is
13 DENIED without prejudice.

14 I FURTHER ORDER that by Wednesday, August 10, 2022, plaintiff must either (1) sign the
15 declaration under penalty of perjury on a new IFP application or (2) plaintiff must pay the full fee for
16 filing a civil action.

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18 **NOTICE**

19 Pursuant to Local Rules IB 3-1 and IB 3-2, a party may object to orders and reports and
20 recommendations issued by the magistrate judge. Objections must be in writing and filed with the Clerk
21 of the Court within fourteen days. LR IB 3-1, 3-2. The Supreme Court has held that the courts of appeal
22 may determine that an appeal has been waived due to the failure to file objections within the specified
23 time. *Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140, 142 (1985). This circuit has also held that (1) failure to file
24 objections within the specified time and (2) failure to properly address and brief the objectionable issues
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1 waives the right to appeal the District Court's order and/or appeal factual issues from the order of the
2 District Court. *Martinez v. Ylst*, 951 F.2d 1153, 1157 (9th Cir. 1991); *Britt v. Simi Valley United Sch.*
3 *Dist.*, 708 F.2d 452, 454 (9th Cir. 1983). Pursuant to LR IA 3-1, plaintiffs must immediately file written
4 notification with the court of any change of address. The notification must include proof of service upon
5 each opposing party's attorney, or upon the opposing party if the party is unrepresented by counsel.

6 **Failure to comply with this rule may result in dismissal of the action.**

7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 DATED this 11th day of July 2022.

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10 CAM FERENBACH
11 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
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